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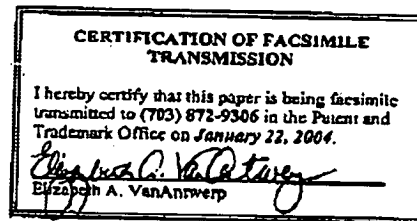
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)

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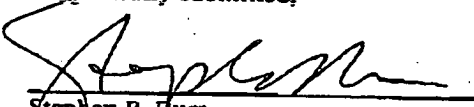
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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		☐

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BASIC FEE	$385	OR	BASIC FEE	$770
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CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

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AMENDMENT A

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